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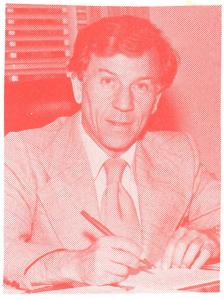
Baseball

1978

A QUICK LOOK AT CENTENARY COLLEGE



Dr. Donald A. Webb

LOCATION: Shreveport, Louisiana 71104
ESTABLISHED: 1825 at Jackson, La., moved to Shreveport in 1908
ENROLLMENT: 908
DENOMINATION: United Methodist Church
PRESIDENT: Dr. Donald A. Webb
ACTING ACADEMIC DEAN: Rev. Robert Ed Taylor
ATHLETIC AFFILIATION: NCAA, Independent, Division I
NICKNAME: Gentlemen (or Gents)
COLORS: Cardinal, Gold and White
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: (interim) Committee of Dr. David Thomas, chairman; Dr. Betty Haley; Dr. James Farrar; Tommy Canterbury; and Ron Kestenbaum.
BASEBALL COACH: Dr. James Farrar
HEAD BASKETBALL COACH, GOLF COACH: Tommy Canterbury
ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH: Ron Kestenbaum
TENNIS COACH: Bill Causey, Sr.
CROSS COUNTRY, TRACK COACH: Dr. Wayne Hanson
PHYSICAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR: Dr. Betty Haley
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STUDENT TRAINER: Kurt Brumleve
TEAM PHYSICIAN: Dr. William S. Bundrick
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ATHLETIC DEPT. SECRETARY: Mrs. Terry Finklea
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT ADDRESS: Gold Dome Coliseum, P.O. Box 4188 (zip 71104)
BASEBALL HOME PARKS: Centenary Field and SPAR Stadium
GAME TIME AT HOME: 1 p.m. (day); 5:30 p.m. (night)
1977 BASEBALL RECORD: 13-27-1

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ATHLETIC COMMITTEE: James N. Patterson (chairman), Dr. Charles D. Knight, John B. Atkins, Jr., G.W. James, N.H. Wheless, Jr., Mrs. Thomas E. Hogan, H. Blume Johnson.

FACULTY ATHLETIC COMMITTEE: Dr. David Thomas (chairman), Dr. Virginia Carlton, Dr. Delbert Chumley, Dr. Warren White, Shirley Arnold (student), Tommy Canterbury (ex-officio).

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Area Code: 318

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. . . IS JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED

(Dr. James Farrar, That Is)

Centenary Baseball, 1978, has a new coach and a new look . . . and an old problem.

The new coach is Dr. James Farrar, who never had a losing season in 17 years of coaching high school baseball. The look he promises is that the Gents "will hustle and work hard."

The problem is pitching.

It was definitely the biggest problem last spring when the Gents were a disappointing 13-37-1. The staff earned run average was 6.29 and they allowed 439 hits, 331 runs and 257 walks (compared to 240 strikeouts) in 352 innings.

Things weren't much better in the '77 fall season under Farrar, so when he looks ahead to the spring he figures "we'll score enough runs to break .500, but our pitching, I don't know about."

What he does know is that "we have some good arms, but most of them are still throwers, not pitchers. They need to improve their control and that's what we'll work on."

He looks for leadership from seniors Mark Hargis and Danny Myers and sophomores Kirk Tolson and Leslie Jones and for quick development from freshmen Mike Clayman, John Myers (the only lefthander on the staff), Ronnie Morris, Byron Patterson and Jordan Stastny.

The probable starting pitchers will be Hargis, Danny Myers, Tolson, Clayman and Patterson.

Another mound possibility is senior Wayne Rohlfing, who pitched some last spring and fall and throws hard.

But Rohlfing, who has also played first base, shortstop and in the outfield, is set to be the regular third baseman.

The lineup, in fact, seems set in four positions—catcher Mitch Ashmore, a well-recommended junior college transfer; second baseman Rick Davis, returning for his third year; shortstop Bill Schmidt, the team's offensive leader last spring; and Rohlfing, whose 27 RBI led the team last year.

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Another sure starter—somewhere—is senior Tom Brummer, who missed most of last season and suffered a severed achilles tendon. Complications slowed the healing process and, although he played in the fall (as a catcher), he couldn't run well.

If he's well, he's the best prospect for center field. Otherwise, he could play first base or be the designated hitter.

There are many possibilities for first base and the outfield spots.

Senior Brad Graham and freshman Ricky Slade, both potentially good hitters, are the candidates at first base, along with Brummer.

Freshman Steve Brumfield, an All-State catcher at Bossier High, is the probable starter in left field (he hit .383 in the fall) and junior Brent Lutz, a .409 hitter in the fall, has starting experience in the outfield.

There are also freshmen Flynn Bankard and Joey Telano and senior Mike Hainsfurther, who was moved to the outfield in the fall but can also play third base—he was a regular there—and second base.

"With some of those people in there, we can get quite a bit of offense, but we give up some defense," says Farrar. "So it all depends on how we want to go at a particular time."

The apparent juggling act also pertains to designated hitter where the top candidates are Slade, Graham, Brumfield, Lutz and (if needed) Brummer.

"Our best asset is hitting," Farrar sums up. "Our defense wasn't good in the fall, but it should be better with some changes. I hope maybe we can pick up a win or two by working, repeating situations, and maybe pick up a win or two by hustling and luck. But how we do overall boils down to the mound, that little red hill."

DR. JAMES C. FARRAR

Baseball Coach

Dr. James C. Farrar is a "poor man's Jerry Clower."

He's not on the banquet circuit, doesn't make television or nightclub appearances or make record albums. But if you want to hear stories told in a "down-home, country boy" dialect, Dr. Farrar can tell 'em.

He is the kind of person who rarely meets a stranger. If he does, they won't be strangers for long.

He'll tell a story to a group of two or a group of 20. And when you think you've heard all of the Farrar specialties, he'll tell you a brand new one . . . and make you laugh again.

He's as renowned for his story-telling as he is for his coaching talents, which are considerable. He came to Centenary in the summer of '77 after 20 successful years as a high school football and baseball coach in North Louisiana.

Dr. Farrar has produced 13 district champions, two state champions and two state runnerups and has won 13 district and four Louisiana "Coach of the Year" honors.

He's a baseball man through and through. He played college, semipro and professional ball, then scouted professionally for the Houston Astros for nine seasons and coached the Astros' rookie league teams two years. He has many, many connections with the pro game.

Dr. Farrar has a proven record as an administrator, too. He left coaching for one year (1971) to become assistant principal at new Green Oaks High School in Shreveport. And for the four years (1973-77) before he moved to Centenary, he was assistant headmaster (as well as athletic director, head football and baseball coach) at Southfield School.

At Centenary, he is an assistant professor in the Health and Physical Education Dept.

His country-boy style is no accident. He was born in El Dorado, Ark., but soon moved to Lillie, La., a rural community near the Arkansas-Louisiana border.

"I'm a country boy, I'm not ashamed of that," he says. "Some of my fondest memories I have are from growing up around Lillie."

He went to high school in Bernice, then attended Louisiana Tech and played four years of baseball there, making All-Gulf States Conference as a catcher in 1951-52.

He played in the Detroit Tigers' farm system for three seasons and then was the player-manager of the Minden Red Birds in the old Big Eight semipro league in North Louisiana in 1957-58.

A shoulder injury terminated his pro career. "They released me," he recalls, "and it's a good thing they did. I'd never quit. I'd still be the only 40-year-old Class D catcher around."

His coaching career began at little Heflin High in 1955 and from there he went to Sibley (1956-61), Fair Park of Shreveport (1961-67), Northwood of Shreveport (1967-71), Natchitoches Academy (1972-73) and Southfield.

Dr. Farrar's state "Coach of the Year" honors came in 1968 for football at Northwood and in baseball in 1965 at Fair Park, 1968 at Northwood and 1976 at Southfield.

His 17-year baseball coaching record is 337-110 (.754)—there have been no losing seasons—and that includes a six-year record of 156-39-4 (.794) at Fair Park.

His team won four straight district titles at Fair Park and the 1963 and 1965 teams were Class AAA state champions with records of 44-4-1 and 33-3. His 1976 Southfield teams finished as Class A state runnerup.

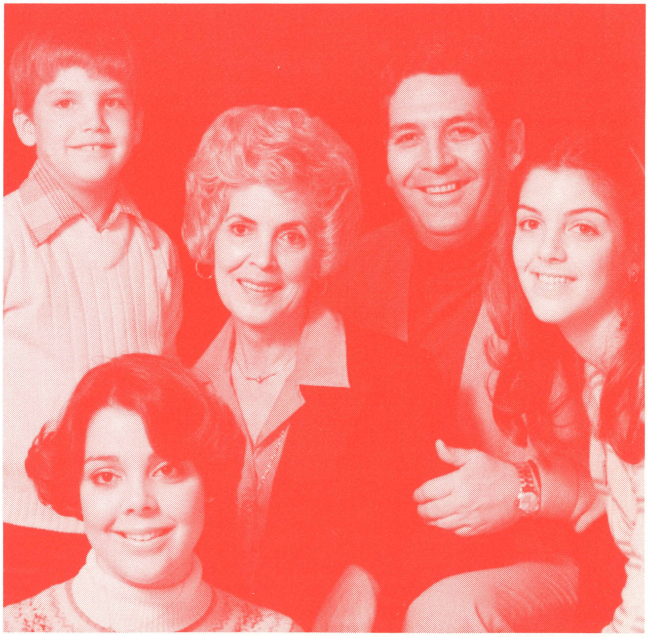
In football, he started a program at Sibley in 1956 and, after serving as a Fair Park assistant, became the first head coach at Northwood in 1967. After a winless first season, his next two teams there made the state playoffs.

His 1972 Natchitoches Academy team was runnerup for the LISA Class A state title and he moved to Southfield the next year, guiding the school's move into the Louisiana High School Athletic Assn.

Dr. Farrar, 46, earned his B.S. degree in Physical Education from Louisiana Tech in 1953, his masters' degree from the University of Arkansas in 1961 and his doctorate from Northwestern State in 1975.

He and his wife, "Miss Kate," observed their 25th wedding anniversary in January. They have three children: Melody, 22, a senior in medical technology at Northeast Louisiana University; Tammy, 17, a senior at Southfield; and Roman, 8, a second grader at Southfield.

"I enjoy all sports," says Dr. Farrar, "I enjoy sitting down and talking baseball with anybody . . . you know, the older you get, the better you get."

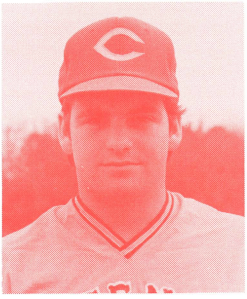


The Farrar Family: Roman, Melody, Miss Kate, James and Tammy.

Meet The Gents

MITCH ASHMORE—No. 21

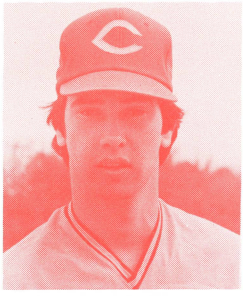
Sophomore, Catcher, 5-11, 185, Natchez, Miss.
Bats and throws right



Came to Centenary for the spring semester as a transfer from Hinds (Miss.) Junior College. "He's well recommended by the professional scouts," says Farrar. "They feel like he's a good hitter and good receiver with a strong arm." At South Natchez Adams High, he batted .438 as a senior and played in the Mississippi All-Star Game. He signed a football scholarship with Southern Mississippi, but went to Hinds where he batted .400 last spring and made the All-State Juco team. He's projected as the Gents' top catcher. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Johnson. Born Sept. 17, 1958.

FLYNN BANKARD—No. 9

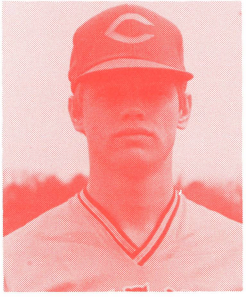
Freshman, Outfield, 6-3, 185, Mooringsport, La.
Bats and throws right



"He was a real pleasant surprise in the fall," says Farrar of the walk-on. "He's a good defensive outfielder who has, if not the best arm, then one of the best on the team. He's a real good hustler and loves to play the game." He started some in the fall season before suffering a broken collarbone that's healed completely now. He made all-district in 1-AAA for Northwood High last spring, scoring 20 runs and stealing 17 bases in 21 games. He was a leadoff hitter who had three homers and nine RBI and batted .300 in district (and .250 overall). Son of Mr. and Mrs. Huey Bankard. Born June 30, 1959.

TOM BRUMMER—No. 7

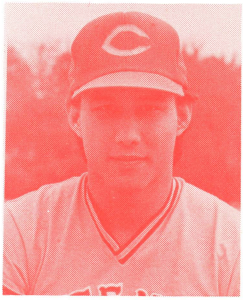
Senior, Catcher-Outfield, 6-1, 180, Fairfield, Ill.
Bats left, throws right



"He has outstanding ability," says Farrar. He batted .357 in only four games last spring before running into problems, including a severed achilles tendon. He needed surgery, then an open wound slowed the healing. He caught in the fall, batting .322 with 15 RBI, but couldn't run well. If he can now, he'll play center field. If not, he'll play first base or be the DH. "He's a pro prospect if he recovers from the injury," says Farrar. "He has an outstanding arm and makes good contact with the bat." He came to Centenary from Lake Land (Ill.) JC where he was a .437 hitter and MVP on a team that was 43-5. Nicknamed "Doc." Son of Mr. and Mrs. S.A. Brummer. Born March 6, 1956.

STEVE BRUMFIELD—No. 3

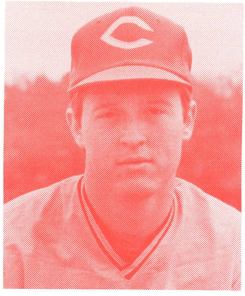
Freshman, Catcher-Outfield, 5-8, 140, Bossier City, La.
Bats and throws right



An All-State Class AAAA catcher at Bossier High, he was the Gents' second-best hitter in the fall with a .383 average. He played all but one game in the outfield and is ticketed there this spring, although he may catch occasionally. "He has a chance to be a real good hitter," says Farrar. "He did an adequate job in the outfield. He has good speed and he's hard to strike out." At Bossier, he was part of three district-winning teams and, despite injuries, batted .422 as a senior with 22 runs scored, 19 RBI and nine steals. He batted .333 for Bossier's state Legion runnerups, scoring 31 runs with 18 RBI and nine steals. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brumfield. Born Feb. 18, 1959.

MIKE CLAYMAN—No. 12

Freshman, Pitcher, 6-2, 185, Mobile, Ala.
Bats and throws right



A sinkerballer who had a 17-5 career record at University Military School in Mobile. He helped his team win the conference in his senior year with a 5-2 record, 2.08 ERA, 51 strikeouts (only 12 walks) in 60 innings. He made all-conference, played in the East-West All-Star Game in Alabama and was a two-year member of the Ranger Advanced Babe Ruth squad, which finished second in the World Series in '76. "He's a good competitor and hard worker," says Farrar. "He's working on a change-up and slider to go with his sinker. I feel like he'll be a real fine pitcher." Son of Mrs. S.W. Clayman. Born Jan. 24, 1959.

RICK DAVIS—No. 11

Junior, Second Base, 5-11, 175, Dallas, Tex.
Bats and throws right

A starter at second base for the third straight year, although he began at Centenary as a shortstop and played there last fall, batting .313. He's had two good spring seasons, batting .326 with 24 RBI as a freshman and .293 with 10 RBI last spring. He's scored 40 runs in two years and stolen 16 bases. "I look for him to be outstanding," says Farrar. "He has the physical tools and desire. He'll be a team leader. He makes the double play well, makes good contact and can run the bases well." Son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis of Plano. Born April 8, 1957.

1978 CENTENARY COLLE

No.	Player	Pos.	Class	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate
21	Ashmore, Mitch	C	Soph.	5-11	185	9-17-58
9	Bankard, Flynn	OF	Fr.	6-3	185	6-30-59
3	Brumfield, Steve	C-OF	Fr.	5-8	140	2-18-59
7	Brummer, Tom	C-OF-1B	Sr.	6-1	180	3-6-56
12	Clayoan, Mike	P	Fr.	6-2	185	1-24-59
11	Davis, Rick	2B	Jr.	5-11	175	4-8-57
16	Graham, Brad	IF	Sr.	6-0	185	1-6-56
5	Hainsfurther, Mike	IF-OF	Sr.	5-10	170	8-13-56
18	Hargis, Mark	P	Sr.	6-0	175	3-24-56
15	Jones, Leslie	P	Soph.	6-4	190	4-16-57
2	Lutz, Brent	C-OF	Jr.	5-8	165	7-22-57
4	Morris, Ronnie	P	Fr.	6-1	170	8-1-59
23	Myers, Danny	P	Sr.	6-0	195	4-4-56
13	Myers, John	P	Fr.	5-11	175	5-19-59
22	Patterson, Byron	P	Fr.	6-0	175	12-30-58
19	Rohlfing, Wayne	3B-P	Sr.	6-2	185	7-17-56
10	Schmidt, Bill	SS	Sr.	6-4	190	6-28-56
8	Slade, Ricky	IF	Fr.	6-3	185	1-14-59
6	Stastny, Jordan	P	Fr.	5-11	175	2-26-59
1	Telano, Joey	C-OF	Fr.	5-10	165	6-4-58
17	Tolson, Kirk	P	Soph.	6-2	185	10-5-58

David Holmes (right), president of HOLMES PONTIAC, presents the ke
Centenary's Dr. James Farrar for his use in promoting the Gent baseball

EGE BASEBALL ROSTER

Exp.	B-T	Hometown	High School
Tr.	R-R	Natchez, Miss.	South Natchez Adams
HS	R-R	Mooringsport, La.	Northwood
HS	R-R	Bossier City, La.	Bossier
Sq.	L-R	Fairfield, Ill.	Fairfield Community
HS	R-R	Mobile, Ala.	University Military
2L	R-R	Dallas, Tex.	W.T. White
1L	R-R	Paris, Ill.	Paris
3L	R-R	Winchester, Ill.	Winchester
1L	R-R	Belleville, Ill.	Belleville West
1L	R-R	Shreveport, La.	Jesuit
2L	R-R	Gettysburg, Pa.	Gettysburg
HS	R-R	Shreveport, La.	Southwood
1L	R-R	Castor, La.	Castor
HS	R-L	Castor, La.	Castor
HS	R-R	Sibley, La.	Sibley
1L	R-R	Volmeyer, Ill.	Volmeyer
1L	R-R	Belleville, Ill.	Belleville West
HS	R-R	Bossier City, La.	Parkway
HS	R-R	Bossier City, La.	Bossier
HS	R-R	Bossier City, La.	Airline
1L	R-R	Lexington, Ky.	Bryan Station

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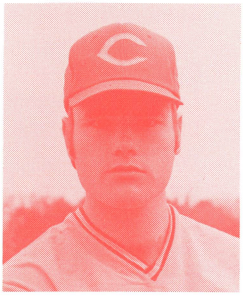
program. (Bob Stevens Photo)

NUMERICAL ROSTER

1 Joey Telano, C-OF
2 Brent Lutz, C-OF
3 Steve Brumfield, C-OF
4 Ronnie Morris, P
5 Mike Hainsfurther, IF-OF
6 Jordan Stastny, P
7 Tom Brummer, C-OF-1B
8 Ricky Slade, IF
9 Flynn Bankard, OF
10 Bill Schmidt, SS
11 Rick Davis, 2B
12 Mike Clayman, P
13 John Myers, P
15 Leslie Jones, P
16 Brad Graham, IF
17 Kirk Tolson, P
18 Mark Hargis, P
19 Wayne Rohlfing, IF-OF-P
20 Dr. James Farrar, Coach
21 Mitch Ashmore, C
22 Byron Patterson, P
23 Danny Myers, P

BRAD GRAHAM—No. 16

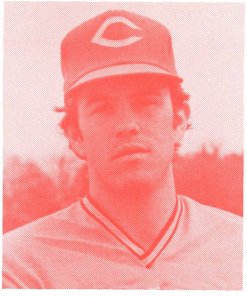
Senior, First Base-OF, 6-0, 185, Paris, Ill.
Bats and throws right



A bad ankle limited him last spring when he batted .265 with six doubles, one homer and 10 RBI in 28 games. He hit .296 in the fall, driving in a team-high 16 runs (including three homers). He has played third base, first base and in the outfield, but will probably be at first or the DH this spring. "His bat is his best asset," says Farrar. "He makes contact and has good power. He's a good RBI man and he'll play somewhere because of his bat." He came to Centenary from Lake Land (Ill.) JC where he hit .446 with 15 doubles, three triples and five homers. Nicknamed "Old Man," he is the team's oldest player—born Jan. 6, 1956. Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Graham of Paris, Ill.

MIKE HAINSFURTHER—No. 5

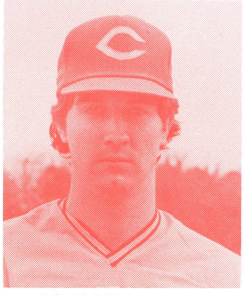
Senior, Infield-Outfield, 5-10, 170, Winchester, Ill.
Bats and throws right



Most versatile of the Gents and the most experienced. This is his fourth season (he's the only three-year letterman) and he's played third base, second base and in the outfield. The regular third baseman his first two years, he batted .272 as a sophomore and .259 last spring when he hit four homers and drove in 14 runs. Led the team in walks the last two seasons (a total of 50) and again in the fall (with 12). He's stolen 18 bases the last two years. "He's a real good hustler," says Farrar, "and his versatility helps us. He did a good job in the outfield in the fall." Son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hainsfurther of Winchester. Born Aug. 13, 1956.

MARK HARGIS—No. 18

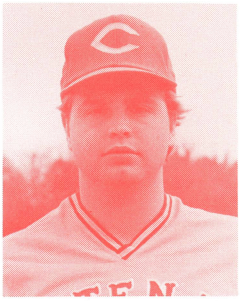
Senior, Pitcher, 6-0, 175, Belleville, Ill.
Bats and throws right



A puzzle last spring when control completely escaped him. He had a 1-9 record, 11.06 ERA, 50 walks in 41 innings and allowed 65 hits. Yet he had a strong season the year before at Belleville (Ill.) Community College when he was 7-3 with a 2.98 ERA and made all-regional and he pitched well last summer. "He should be the mainstay of our staff and he needs to be," says Farrar. "He's experienced and throws hard. If he has control of his slider and keeps the ball down, he will be effective." Walked only one batter and struck out 15 in 15 fall innings. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Hargis of Belleville. Born March 24, 1956.

LESLIE JONES—No. 15

Sophomore, Pitcher, 6-4, 190, Shreveport, La.
Bats and throws right



He had a 2-2 record last spring with a 4.76 ERA, 19 walks and 20 strikeouts in 22-2/3 innings. He then had a shoulder operation, which limited him to six innings in the fall season. "He made a tremendous improvement," says Farrar. "He has a good curve ball, and because of his height and long arms, can be very effective when he throws sidearm. He can be tough on righthanders. If his arm regains full strength, he can help us." A basketball and baseball star at Jesuit, he transferred from Loyola to Centenary as a freshman. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Davy Jones of Shreveport. Born April 16, 1957.

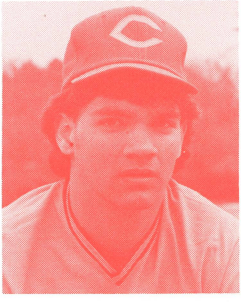
BRENT LUTZ—No. 2

Junior, Outfield-Catcher, 5-8, 165, Gettysburg, Pa.
Bats and throws right

His .225 batting average last spring was very disappointing, considering his .312 as a freshman. But he came back for a team-high .409 in the fall season and led the club in almost every offensive category. He hit safely in 15 of 19 games and had four doubles and three triples among 27 hits. Originally a catcher, he moved to the outfield at Centenary, but did catch a doubleheader last spring. He'll probably play right field this season. "He's an asset because he can hit," says Farrar. "And he's an outstanding young man, the kind we like to represent Centenary." Son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lutz of Gettysburg. Born July 22, 1957.

RONNIE MORRIS—No. 4

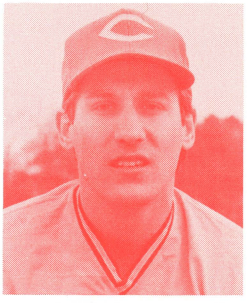
Freshman, Pitcher, 6-1, 170, Shreveport, La.
Bats and throws right



An unknown source at Centenary because he did not begin school until the second semester and thus did not play in the fall. He helped Southwood High share the District 1-AAAA title last spring with a 5-1 record and one save. He worked 47 innings, gave up 25 hits, struck out 54 and walked 23 and had an ERA of 1.49. He made All-City and All-District. In Legion ball, he pitched for Moore's Firestone. "He keeps the ball low and has good control," says Farrar. Son of Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Morris. Born Aug. 1, 1959.

DANNY MYERS—No. 23

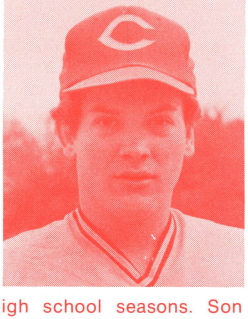
Senior, Pitcher, 6-0, 195, Castor, La.
Bats and throws right



He pitched almost exclusively in relief last spring, getting only one start in a team-high 18 appearances. His record was 1-1 with an 8.69 ERA for 37-1/3 innings. This spring he'll be a starter and Farrar says, "He can make a big difference for us." He impressed scouts in a summer tryout camp and Farrar says "he has an outstanding arm. His ball moves exceptionally well. Control is the key. If he can be more consistent, he can be a very good pitcher. He's a very hard worker and will be a team leader." He began his college career at Northwestern State before transferring. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Myers of Castor. Born April 4, 1956.

JOHN MYERS—No. 13

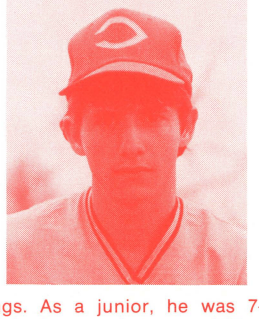
Freshman, Pitcher, 5-11, 175, Castor, La.
Bats right, throws left



Younger brother of Danny Myers and the team's only southpaw pitcher. He made a good impression in the fall when he hurled a three-hit shutout. "He needs to improve his control," says Farrar, "but he improved a great deal in the fall. He has great desire and works hard—I'll take his kind anytime." He needs to improve his move to first base. At Castor High, he made All-District 4-B the last two springs with pitching records of 6-2 and 6-3 and batting averages of .395 and .335. He batted over .300 in four high school seasons. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Myers. Born May 19, 1959.

BYRON PATTERSON—No. 22

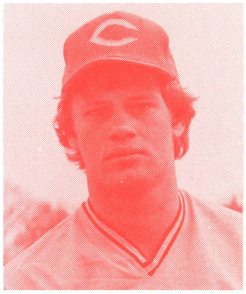
Freshman, Pitcher, 6-0, 175, Sibley, La.
Bats and throws right



A Class B All-Stater at Sibley High, he impressed Farrar with a no-hitter he pitched against Southfield last spring. "He has a real live arm," says Farrar. "He throws with good velocity and his fast ball moves. He had some arm trouble in the fall, but when he was used, he threw hard and he showed the tools to be an outstanding pitcher." He'll be a starter, if his arm is sound. At Sibley, he pitched two no-hitters and a one-hitter last spring, compiling a 7-2 record and 0.70 ERA. He had 142 strikeouts and gave up only 26 hits in 70 innings. As a junior, he was 7-3 with a 0.99 ERA, 95 strikeouts in 65 innings and two no-hitters. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Patterson. Born Dec. 30, 1958.

WAYNE ROHLFING—No. 19

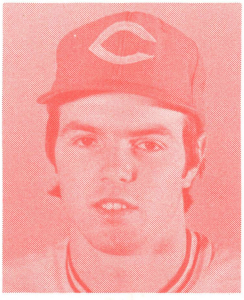
Senior, Third Base, 6-2, 185, Volmeyer, Ill.
Bats and throws right



Name a spot, he can play it. "He has the tools to be an outstanding third baseman, although he hasn't played there much," says Farrar. "He has good power and a good arm and he'll be a team leader." He played seven positions in the fall season, including DH. He led the team last spring with 10 doubles and 27 RBI while batting .275. He scored 30 runs—second-best on team. He also hit three homers, then hit four in the fall. He can also pitch and made eight appearances last spring with a 1-1 record (1 save) and a 4.21 ERA in 10-2/3 innings. A hard thrower, he's ideal in short relief. Came to Centenary from Belleville (Ill.) Community College where he was MVP in the state juco tournament. Nicknamed "Mule." Son of Mr. and Mrs. Alois Rohlfing of Fults, Ill. Born July 17, 1956.

BILL SCHMIDT—No. 10

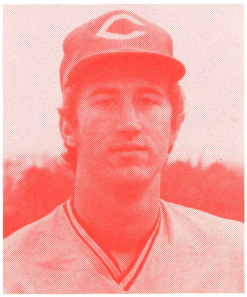
Senior, Shortstop, 6-4, 190, Belleville, Ill.
Bats and throws right



Only a late-season slump dimmed his '77 season. Still, he led the team in runs (32), hits (58), total bases (83), triples (4) and stolen bases (30) and his .328 average was second-best. He also had eight doubles, three homers and 22 RBI and, at one point, hit safely in 15 of 16 games. Again, he'll have to make a quick conversion from basketball—in which he was a Gent starter—to baseball, but it was no problem last spring. "I'm impressed with him as a person and as a hard worker," says Farrar, "and he'll give us leadership." His defense was erratic last spring with 26 errors, but he helped make 18 double plays. Came to Centenary after a year at Missouri-St. Louis and one at Belleville Community College. Son of Mr. and Mrs. I.R. Schmidt of Belleville. Born June 28, 1956.

RICKY SLADE—No. 8

Freshman, 6-3, 185, Bossier City, La.
Bats and throws right



A high school and Legion baseball shortstop, he'll play either first base or in the outfield for the Gents. He had a tough time at the plate in the fall, but Farrar says, "He has some outstanding tools—a good arm and the ability to hit the high pitch with good power." Twice all-district in 2-AAAA for Parkway in football and baseball. He hit .467 with 15 RBI for a district champion team as a junior and .416 with eight homers and 32 RBI for a playoff team as a senior. Twice All-City, too. The leading hitter for Bossier's Legion state runnerup, he hit .407 with 21 runs scored, 21 RBI and eight extra base hits. Then hit three homers in a playoff game. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Slade. Born Jan. 14, 1959.

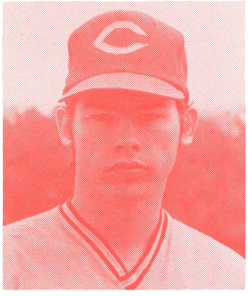
JORDAN STASTNY—No. 6

Freshman, Pitcher, 5-11, 175, Bossier City, La.
Bats and throws right

The "Outstanding Player" in District 2-AAAA last spring for Bossier High, his role as a Gent may be as a relief pitcher. "He has a very good curve ball," says Farrar. "He made a lot of improvement in his delivery in the fall and in holding men on base. He's a good student of the game and he's dedicated," He was a leader in Bossier's 2-AAAA title season with a 7-3 record and 0.88 ERA. He worked 68 innings, allowing 31 hits with 96 strikeouts and 54 walks. He was unbeaten in Legion baseball as Bossier made the state finals, but did have control problems. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Stastny. Born Feb. 26, 1959.

JOEY TELANO—No. 1

Freshman, Catcher-Outfield, 5-10, 165, Bossier City, La.
Bats and throws right

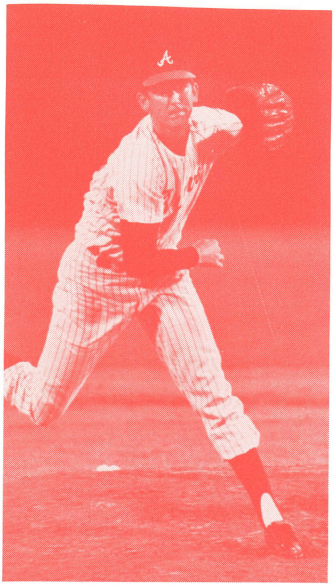


Entered Centenary for the second semester and should add to the Gents' depth because he can play in the outfield or as a catcher. He made all-district in 2-AAAA for Airline as an outfielder last spring, batting .379 with 15 RBI and an on-base percentage of over 55. He was the Airline catcher for the first one-third of the season. "His high school coaches recommended him highly," says Farrar, "especially for his attitude." He also lettered three years in football at Airline as a wide receiver and defensive back. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Telano Sr. of Bossier City. Born June 4, 1958.

KIRK TOLSON—No. 17

Sophomore, Pitcher, 6-2, 185, Lexington, Ky.
Bats and throws right

He should be a starter again this spring after starting every game in which he appeared last year. For nine starts, he had a 1-6 record and 7.54 ERA. He worked 37 innings and had three complete games. "He probably has the best pitching mechanics on the team," says Farrar. "But he needs to be consistent. Control has been his problem. His arm is good enough; it's just a matter of him throwing strikes." An encouraging sign was his victory on the last weekend of the fall season. Nicknamed (what else?) "Kentucky." Son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Tolson of Lexington. Born Oct. 5, 1958.



CECIL UPSHAW, who grew up in Bossier City, was a basketball and baseball star at Centenary from 1960-64. He then signed a pro baseball contract and was a relief pitcher in the major leagues for almost nine seasons. He played for the Atlanta Braves, Houston Astros, Cleveland Indians, New York Yankees and Chicago White Sox. He now resides in Decatur, Ga.

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CENTENARY'S YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORD

Year	Coach	Record	Pct.
1977	Glenn Evans	13-37-1	.265
1976	Glenn Evans	24-16	.600
1975	Taylor Moore	14-21	.400
1974	Taylor Moore	22-19	.537
1973	Orvis Sigler	13-17	.433
1972	Orvis Sigler	10-30	.250
1971	Val Tucker	14-24	.368
1970	Larry Little	13-18	.419
1969	Larry Little	21-8	.724
1968	Don McKinney	18-16-1	.529
1967	Doug Mooty	12-9	.571
1966	Doug Mooty	18-6	.750
1965	Doug Mooty	11-8	.579
1964	Doug Mooty	10-6	.625
1963	Doug Mooty	11-11	.500
1962	Doug Mooty	10-6	.625
1961	Doug Mooty	3-15	.167
1960	Doug Mooty	6-11	.353
1959	Doug Mooty	12-8	.600
1958	Harold Mooty	5-4	.556
1957	Edgar Burks	8-12	.400
1956	Edgar Burks	14-10	.583

1978 CENTENARY COLLEGE BASEBALL SCHEDULE

MARCH

3	(Fri.)	Grambling State (2)	1:00 p.m.	Grambling, La.
4	(Sat.)	Stephen F. Austin (2)	1:00 p.m.	Nacogdoches, Tex.
7	(Tue.)	Southern Arkansas (2)	1:00 p.m.	HOME
10	(Fri.)	East Texas Baptist (2)	1:00 p.m.	Marshall, Tex.
11	(Sat.)	LeTourneau (2)	1:00 p.m.	Longview, Tex.
15	(Wed.)	Louisiana Tech (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME
17	(Fri.)	Ouachita Baptist (2)	5:30 p.m.	Arkadelphia, Ark.
18	(Sat.)	Arkansas-Little Rock (2)	1:30 p.m.	Little Rock, Ark.
19	(Sun.)	Henderson State (2)	1:00 p.m.	Arkadelphia, Ark.
21	(Tue.)	Carroll College (2)	1:00 p.m.	HOME
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23	(Thu.)	Northwestern State (1)	4:00 p.m.	HOME
24	(Fri.)	Louisiana College (1)	4:00 p.m.	HOME
25	(Sat.)	Carroll College (1)	9:00 a.m.	HOME
25	(Sat.)	Southern Arkansas (1)	6:00 p.m.	HOME
31	(Fri.)	Stephen F. Austin (2)	1:00 p.m.	HOME

APRIL

1	(Sat.)	Northeast Louisiana (2)	1:00 p.m.	HOME
2	(Sun.)	Southern Arkansas (2)	2:00 p.m.	Magnolia, Ark.
4	(Tue.)	Louisiana Tech (2)	5:30 p.m.	Ruston, La.
7	(Fri.)	Northwestern State (2)	1:15 p.m.	Natchitoches, La.
8	(Sat.)	LeTourneau (2)	1:00 p.m.	HOME
11	(Tue.)	Baptist Christian (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME
14	(Fri.)	Louisiana College (2)	1:00 p.m.	Pineville, La.
21	(Fri.)	East Texas Baptist (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME
22	(Sat.)	Northeast Louisiana (2)	1:00 p.m.	Monroe, La.
25	(Tue.)	Baptist Christian (2)	5:30 p.m.	Shreveport, La.
28	(Fri.)	Northwestern State (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME

MAY

2	(Tue.)	Louisiana College (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME
5	(Fri.)	Grambling State (2)	5:30 p.m.	HOME

HOME Games at Centenary Field

CENTENARY TOURNAMENT

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 23

10 a.m.—Southern Arkansas vs. Carroll
1 p.m.—Northwestern State vs. Southern Arkansas
4 p.m.—Centenary vs. Northwestern State

Friday, March 24

10 a.m.—Northwestern State vs. Carroll
1 p.m.—Louisiana College vs. Northwestern State
4 p.m.—Centenary vs. Louisiana College

Saturday, March 25

9 a.m.—Centenary vs. Carroll
12 noon—Louisiana College vs. Carroll
3 p.m.—Southern Arkansas vs. Louisiana College
6 p.m.—Centenary vs. Southern Arkansas